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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE ARGENTINE XPORTS TO LIBYA

AN ARTICLE IN THE PRESS DATED MAY 12, SAID THAT THE GENERAL DIRECTOR OF LIBYA'S NATIONAL GRAIN CO., --BEFORE RETURNING TO HIS COUNTRY-- STATED THAT AROUND 300,000 TONS OF GRAIN AT INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND 50,000 TONS OF SUGAR COULD BE PURCHASED IN ARGENTINA BY LIBYA. THE OFFICIAL EXPLAINED THAT NEGOTIATIONS WERE STILL, ON, AND POINTED OUT THAT THE CONVERSATIONS THAT THE MISSION MAINTAINED WITH THE ARGENTINE MINISTRY OF ECONOMY, INDICATED THAT IMPORTANT TRANSACTIONS COULD BE MADE. THE LIBYAN AMBASSADOR TO ARGENTINA ANNOUNCED THAT THE DELEGATION PRESENTED A REQUEST TO THE ECONOMIC AUTHORITIES FOR THE PURCHASE OF 20,000 TONS OF MEAT, 20,000 HEAD OF CATTLE ON THE HOOF AND 500,000 LAMB ON THE HOOF, AS A FIRST STEP. ALL THESE, THE AMBASSADOR SAID, REPRESENT APPROXIMATELY 500 MILLION DOLLARS. THE ORDER WILL BE PLACED THROUGH THE NATIONAL GRAIN AND MEET BOARDS, ONCE LAST YEAR'S PROBLEMS ARE RESOLVED, REFERING TO THE BARLEY AND RYE THAT WERE REJECTED BY HIS COUNTRY AS THE QUALITY OF THE PRODUCTS DID NOT CONFORMED TO WHAT WAS STIPULATED IN THE SIGNED AGREEMENTS,

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HE SAID.

COMMENT: IT IS NOT FULLY CLEAR IF THE 300,000 TONS IS ADDITIONAL
TO OR INCLUDES THE 180,500 TONS OF BREAD WHEAT AND THE 96,000 TONS
OF DURUM WHEAT PREVIOUSLY COMMITTED BY THE GRAIN BOARD TO LYBIA.
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